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SUBJECT: COOPERATIVE'S DIRECTOR WISHES VISIT UNITED STATES

REF: STATE 249960

1. MARCH 11 DR. HOMERO MARTINS FERRINHO, DIRECTOR OF THE MOZAMBICAN CENTER OF COOPERATIVE STUDIES (MCCS), CALLED AT CONSULATE GENERAL TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITIES OF VISITING UNITED STATES IN SEPTEMBER, 1974 TO STUDY AMERICAN COOPERATIVE TRAINING CENTERS. HE IS PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS TO VISIT COOP TRAINING CENTER AT UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN AND TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITIES OF FORMING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MCCS AND CREDIT UNION NATIONAL ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL (CUNA).

2. DR. FERRINHO'S ORGANIZATION WORKS ALMOST ENTIRELY WITH AFRICANS, CONCENTRATING IN SOME AREAS ON SPONSORING HANDICRAFT CENTERS WHERE HANDICAPPED PERSONS CAN MAKE AND SELL ARTIFACTS, ALSO ON FINDING EMPLOYMENT FOR EX-PRISONERS, AND IN RURAL AREAS ON SETTING UP FULL RANGE OF AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES. HE HAS BEEN INVITED TO ESTABLISH SIMILAR ORGANIZATION IN ANGOLA.

3. DR. FERRINHO WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET TRAVEL EXPENSES BETWEEN MOZAMBIQUE AND UNITED STATES, BUT HOPES FUNDS COULD BE FOUND TO DEFRAY HIS TRAVEL AND LIVING EXPENSES WITHIN UNITED STATES. ON HIS WAY OUT TO WISCONSIN, HE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT HUDSON VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN TROY, NEW YORK, NATIONAL CENTER FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION IN FLINT, MICHIGAN, UNCLASSIFIED

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AND WILBER WRIGHT COLLEGE IN CHICAGO. DURATION OF HIS VISIT

WOULD BE MAXIMUM 30 DAYS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: UNLESS DEPARTMENT KNOWS OF FUNDS FROM
OTHER SOURCES WHICH MIGHT BE AVAILABLE FOR DR. FERRINHO,
WE RECOMMEND THAT REMAINING CULTURAL EXCHANGE FUNDS ALLOTTED
TO THIS POST BE OBLIGATED PRIOR TO MARCH 15 TO HELP COVER
HIS EXPENSES WHILE IN UNITED STATES.
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